

CITY OF TUCSON SMALL BUSINESS COMMISSION (SBC)
MINUTES OF THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 2006

Mayor and Council Chambers
255 West Alameda, 1st Floor
Tucson, Arizona 85701

1. Call to Order and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 4:08 pm.

Members Present

Joanna Dinan, Chair	Deb Turner
Marion Hook	Joe Higgins
Don Windmiller, Vice Chair	Britton Dornquast
Katharine Kent, P.E. CEM	Richard Krone
Leonard Gulotta	Lola Kakes
Eva Macias	

Members Absent/Excused

Diane Castro	Kendall Morgan
Jan Gordley	Eddie Escalante

Others Present

Walter Tellez, City of Tucson Development Services
Kathleen Skinner, Metropolitan Tucson Chamber of Commerce
Laurel Parker, Arizona Department of Transportation
Silvia Amparano, City of Tucson Finance Department
Robert Leko, City of Tucson Finance Department
Jenefer Carlin, City of Tucson Finance Department
Ellen Hitchings, City of Tucson Finance Department
Kathy Maish, City of Tucson Finance Department

2. Approval of the November 17, 2005 Minutes

Minutes should show the correct spelling of Katharine Kent's first name. Unanimously approved and accepted with changes. Motion by Don Windmiller, 2nd by Leonard Gulotta.

3. Chairperson Report

- Tucson DOT is considering changes to the ordinance on public participation in roadway improvement projects, including business assistance.
- Deb Turner and Joanna Dinan were on Access Tucson, a call-in radio show.

4. Call to the Audience

No response.

5. I-10 Widening Project/Business Assistance -- Discussion

The City of Tucson has proposed alternatives to the State's original plan. A feasibility study is being conducted and is expected to be completed the end of January. The proposal will be given to PAG the first week of February, and they should have the proposal on their agenda the last part of February. Whatever the outcome of the study, ADOT will move

forward when decisions are made. Jan Leshner, Governor's Office, says that the State is aware of the SBC's concerns related to the impact on small businesses.

6. Update on the Peddler's Ordinance – Discussion

Walter Tellez from Development Services gave an update.

7. Business License Procedures Task Force -- Discussion

Ellen Hitchings gave an update. The Metropolitan Tucson Chamber of Commerce and the Southern Arizona Tucson Black Chamber of Commerce have endorsed the new policy. The Hispanic Chamber of Commerce has not voted on the proposal as of January 26th. Ellen will be making a presentation to TREO on February 13th. The proposed business license policy will be discussed at the Mayor and Council Study Session on March 24th.

Motion to approve by Katharine Kent and 2nd by Don Windmiller. Vote passed 9 to 2, with Britton Dornquast and Don Windmiller dissenting.

8. Call to the Audience

No response.

9. Future Agenda Items

- Recycling Update
- I-10 Widening Project
- TDOT – Public Participation Ordinance
- RTA
- Discussion of Needs Assessment report from Austin, TX
- Update on Rio Nuevo Project (March)

10. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 5:08 pm. Motion by Katharine Kent, 2nd by Don Windmiller.

NOTE: It is the intent of these meeting minutes to get the general meaning of the discussion, summarize what happened, and record official actions. The minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcription of all that was said. Audio tapes of the meeting are available for review at City Hall, Finance Department/Revenue Division, 255 West Alameda, 2nd Floor West.